

Practice

Work with your partner. Role-play the dialogue on page 2, substituting the different expressions below. Then switch roles.

1. **Can you tell me how to get to the post office?**
 - Can you tell me where the post office is?
 - Do you know where the post office is?
2. Can you tell me how to get to the **post office**?
 - ...the museum
 - ...the zoo
 - ...the school
 - ...the train station
 - ...the theater
3. **I'm sorry. I don't know.**
 - I'm afraid not.
 - I'm afraid I can't.
4. **I'm from out of town.**
 - I don't live here. I'm just a visitor.
 - I really don't know the city very well.
5. **Sure. It's not far from here.**
 - Yes. It's quite close to here.
 - It's only about a ten-minute walk from here.
6. **Walk straight ahead** until you get to Main Street.
 - Walk down the street...
 - Walk three blocks...
 - Walk up the block...
 - Keep walking in this direction...
7. **How many blocks is that?**
 - How far is that?
8. **It's about two or three blocks.**
 - It's about a five-minute walk.
9. **It's the first traffic light** you come to.
 - It's the second intersection...
10. **Then turn left** and go about half a block.
 - Then turn right...
11. Coming from this direction, **it'll be on your right side.**
 - ...it's on your left.
12. **It's in the middle of the block...**
 - It's at the end of the block...
 - It's on the corner...
13. **...next to the Sweets Ice Cream Shop.**
 - ...beside the bank.
 - ...between the pharmacy and the bank.
 - ...across the street from a big church.
14. **You can't miss it.**
 - It's easy to find.
15. **Do you want me to repeat any of that?**
 - Did you catch all of that?
 - Do you understand?
16. **No, that's okay. I've got it.**
 - Yes. It's very clear.
 - It's okay. I understand.